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Notice of Proposed Material Alterations to the Portumna Draft Local Area Plan 2016-2022

Notice of Determination in relation to the Requirement for Strategic Environmental Assessment and Appropriate Assessment on more than one of the Material Alterations

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 20 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000, as amended, that Galway County Council proposes to make alterations to the Portumna Draft Local Area Plan 2016-2022, which was previously displayed.

In accordance with Section 20 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000, as amended, Article 14 A of the Planning & Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations, 2004 (as amended), Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and the Birds Directive (79/409/EEC) as amended, Galway County Council having carried out screenings of the Proposed Alterations has determined:

- That a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) of more than one of the proposed Material Alterations is required and
- That Appropriate Assessment (AA)/Natura Impact Report of more than one of the proposed Material Alterations is required.

Take notice that in accordance with the requirements of Section 20 (3) (g) of the Planning & Development Act, 2000, as amended, the Chief Executive has specified that 14 weeks are considered necessary to facilitate the SEA and AA of the proposed Material Alterations. Accordingly, the Chief Executive has specified that the SEA & AA shall be completed on or before **24th February 2016**.

A further public Notice in accordance with the requirements of Section 20 (3) (h) of the Planning & Development Act, 2000, as amended, will be published mid-February, outlining the Material Alterations public consultation period.



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